

**Swarm**  
**by Leah Sobsey**  
**Audio Description Script**  
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**Script:** The following is an audio description of *Swarm*, an installation of various sizes by artist Leah Sobsey. *Swarm* is an installation of over 300 cyanotype butterflies of various sizes. Measurements vary. First, we will describe the piece then provide some background on the work of the artist.

A cascade of 300 hundred blue and white butterflies of varying markings and sizes moves across and down the wall of the space. Like a swarm of butterflies found in nature. Each butterfly was photographed from the U.S National Park's insect collections. The varying markings, tones of blue and white delicately move within the space.

The butterflies were created using a Cyanotype photography process. The artist took photographs of the butterflies, turned them into negatives and then used the cyanotype process to treat the surface of the negative with iron salts and UV lights creating permanent images that where then hand cut and arranged to create the installation.

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